PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of Docket No: Q90923

Tasuku HONJO, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/553,406 Group Art Unit: 1641

Confirmation No.: 3704 Examiner: Ann Y. Lam

Filed: October 17, 2005

For: A SCREENING METHOD OF A SUBSTANCE FOR THERAPY OF CARDIAC DISEASE AND A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSTION FOR THERAPY OF

CARDIAC DISEASE

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on

March 12, 2007:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the Office Action dated March 16, 2007.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

- 1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None.
- 2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 20.
- 3. Identification of art discussed: None.
- 4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: None.
- 5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: None.

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- 6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: Applicants asked if new claim 20, directed to a method for treating dilated cardiomyopathy comprising removing anti-cardiac troponin I and autoanttibodywould be considered as part of group V in the Restriction Requirement. The Examiner agreed that claim 20 appeared to read on elected Group V but wanted to consider the matter further.
 - 7. Results of Interview: See Examiner Interview Summary.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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